

EXTRA.
2 O'CLOCK.
LIGHTS AT LAST.

One Side of the Fourth Avenue Tunnel
Furnished with Incandescent Lamps.

Experiments Begun by New York
Central Officials.

The Lamps Only Demonstrate the
Imperative Need of Ventilation.

To show that it has heard and heeds the demand of the public for radical reform in the condition of the tunnel under Fourth avenue, the New York Central Railroad is to-day experimenting with a view to making one of the improvements demanded.

It has lighted the west-end rock-out tunnel through which the north-bound local train runs with incandescent electric lamps.

The lamps were put in Saturday night, and yesterday a portion of them were lighted for the first time.

They are placed about forty cable power and are placed alternately on either side of the track, about one hundred and forty feet apart.

At present the line of lights runs only as far north as Ninety-third street, but it will be extended to Ninety-sixth street to-night.

Reflectors placed on the south side of the tunnel prevent the glare of light from reaching the eyes of the engineer or driver of approaching trains, and throw the light forward on the track so as to enable the crews of locomotives to see any obstruction that may be ahead of them.

The lamps are placed near the tunnel walls at a height of about three and a half feet above the rails, and their light does not interfere in any way with the signal lamps, which are placed much higher.

This effort of the railroad company to light the darkest and most dangerous part of its tunnel makes more apparent than ever the necessity which exists for a perfect system of ventilation.

VIEWING THE EXPERIMENT.
A reporter of THE EVENING WORLD entered the tunnel at Eighty-sixth street this morning, and examined the experimental illuminating system.

The atmosphere was bracing, and the smoke and steam, which usually settles to the ground and forms an impenetrable barrier to light on foggy or wet days, was dispelled very quickly through the openings into the central tunnel.

The bright sun shone through the high arches below the Eighty-sixth street opening and made almost everything in the side tunnel below that point distinctly visible.

Above the station for half a mile the tunnel is cut through solid rock, and the openings into it from the main tunnel, which is quite as ill ventilated, are very few. It is here that the experiment with the incandescent lamps is being made.

Looking northward, a long vista of light patches thrown on the glancing rails could be seen to Ninety-third street. They were only patches, however, and the distances between them seemed as dark as formerly. It was only some distance north, for despite the fact that the lamps are not placed near enough together they lighted that tunnel so well that a track-walker's movements could be followed all the way from Ninety-third street down to the station at Ninety-sixth street.

It is evident that, when the tunnel is free from steam, smoke or fog, even the lightest patches of light which the New York Central Company have used in this experiment is sufficient to light the tunnel so that an engineer can discern any obstruction ahead of him on the track.

In the Hudson Tunnel, which is lighted by the incandescent system, the lamps are placed only forty feet apart; but in this Fourth Avenue Tunnel experiment the Central Company has left an interval of 140 feet between lamps.

LAMPS WITHOUT VENTILATION.
The usefulness of lamps without ventilation was shown, after the passage of the first train.

It came a Harlem local-stopped a brief moment and passed on between the rows of electric lights which illuminated the way for the engineer.

It left behind it a blinding cloud of hot steam and smoke, which completely hid from the view of THE EVENING WORLD reporter every vestige of light.

The first incandescent lamp is located about forty feet from the end of the station platform, and directly opposite the red danger signal light.

Fully a minute and a half elapsed when the glimmer of the electric lamp began to show through the steam and smoke, and it was several seconds later before the red light of the danger signals could be seen. The other lights emerged from the darkness one by one as the smoke and steam slowly disappeared, and at the end of three and one-half minutes the track was again clear, and objects could be seen at Ninety-third street, nearly half a mile away.

A few minutes later and the main tunnel went through the same slow process of clearing itself. With ventilating apparatus the process would have been greatly facilitated, and such apparatus would seem to be absolutely necessary in case of fog or a moist and heavy atmosphere.

THE TRACK WALKER'S REJOICER.
"It's a great improvement," said one of the numerous employees who was met by the reporter in his investigation of the experiment. "It makes the tunnel a much safer and more comfortable place to work in, to have it lighted like this, though it might be lighted much better."

"It won't be right, though, until they can get the smoke and steam out of it. Nobody who has to work down here while the tunnel remains unventilated will grow very fat."

Another experiment which the railroad company is making to test the value of the arrangement of torpedo signals, to prevent engineers from running by light signals set at "danger."

A sort of torpedo repeating machine is attached to the signal apparatus, and when a

POINTERS ON THE RACES.
Tipsters' Opinions on the Various
Winners To-Day.

Programme of the Several Events
to Be Run Off.

The racing to-day at Coney Island should be very fine. Six events are on the card, and each race bids fair to furnish an interesting contest. The fifth race especially, with Civil Service, Redner, Duke and Dalsyrian named to go, should prove one of the finest and speediest races of the meeting. In addition there is a mile and a quarter race with a good lot of starters, and a six and a half furlong dash with Prince Howard, Gloster, Iago and Peril entered.

The programme begins with a five furlong dash for maidens, three and a half furlongs, to be run before the public, so they must be left out of calculation. Of the others, the Duke Hawkins colt, which has been named Pine Ridge, looks to be the best, and he ought to win. The Annie C. gelding may be the runner up and Pokino may beat the others.

The second race is a dash of five furlongs, for beaten three-year-olds. Battle Cry performed exceedingly well on his last time out, and was badly ridden. He appears to be the best of the lot entered to-day, and should win. Patti may be second and Yazo may beat the others.

The third race is at six and a half furlongs. Assuming that the track will be dry, the winner ought to be Iago. Prince Howard may be the runner up and Gloster should beat the others.

The fourth race is at a mile and a quarter. Vanguard ought to win. Bohemian may be second. It squanderer is in any kind of shape he ought to beat the others.

The fifth race is at six furlongs. Endure, Hail Duke and Civil Service are almost equally matched. Endure has won his race in an easy galloping style recently that it leads to a victory. He may win. Hail Duke may beat Civil Service for the place. The Duke's six and one-half furlong race in 1.35 in the mud Friday was a fine performance, especially as he walked home.

The sixth race, at seven furlongs, may fall to Colleen. She is in at extremely tight work. Her last performance was six furlongs, when she got away ninth and finished a close fourth to Maid of Thrift, Adolph II and Wyndham in 1.34, nearly going. La Grippe may be the runner up and Marsh Redan should beat the others.

Selections in the Sporting World makes these selections:
First Race—Pine Ridge, Wyndham, Vanguard, Redner, Duke, Pokino.
Second Race—Battle Cry, Patti, Yazo.
Third Race—Iago, Peril.
Fourth Race—Vanguard, Bohemian.
Fifth Race—Civil Service, Endure.
Sixth Race—Marsh Redan, Discount.

From Other Morning Papers.
First Race—Atlantic, Potomac.
Second Race—Hepner, Clamline.
Third Race—Hepner, Clamline.
Fourth Race—Vanguard, Squanderer.
Fifth Race—Hail Duke, Civil Service.
Sixth Race—Come and Go, La Grippe.

First Race—Willie L. Twilight.
Second Race—Clamline, Hepner.
Third Race—Hepner, Clamline.
Fourth Race—Vanguard, Icherger.
Fifth Race—Endure, Civil Service.
Sixth Race—Marsh Redan, Marty II.

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SILVER JUBILEE OF THE G. A. R.
Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Order
to Be Celebrated This Evening.

Notable Commemorations Planned
by New York and Brooklyn Posts.

The silver jubilee of the Grand Army of the Republic occurs to-day.

This association of battle-scarred veterans of the war for the Union was born in April, 1866, and the twenty-fifth anniversary will be celebrated all over the land with banners, speeches, music and general rejoicings.

The Grand Army of the Republic holds in the ties of strongest fraternity half a million American citizens, the gallant survivors of the loyal armies which fought on land and sea for the preservation of the Union.

In to-day's celebrations the organizations of the Grand Army of the Republic will be assisted by the Loyal Legion, the Union Veteran Legion and the numerous veteran regimental and corps associations, together with the auxiliary organizations of the G. A. R., the Women's Relief Corps and the Sons of Veterans.

In this city, Phil Kearny Post, which is only eight months younger than the Grand Army itself, will celebrate in characteristic style at the Post, Hudson Building, Eighth avenue and Thirty-seventh street, this evening. Here, L. V. Foster, Col. "Pan" Rice, the famous circusman, Gen. Daniel E. Hickey and others will make speeches. There will be a brass and string band, plenty of music and good singing.

There is an endless variety in the programme for the several celebrations. James C. Rice Post No. 99 will appear in uniform at the Post and repair in a body to Rev. Waldo Messersmith's First Free Baptist Church, West Twenty-fifth street, where they will enjoy a vocal and instrumental concert, prayer by the chaplain and an address by the Rev. Mr. Messersmith.

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MOSHER'S DEATH SUSPICIOUS.
The Police Say Suicide and Pooh
Pool Investigation.

Let He Driven Into the River and
Was Drown Through Cowardice?

The police could throw no light this morning on the death of John Mosher, who was drowned under most peculiar circumstances in the Harlem River at One Hundred and Eleventh street about 2.30 o'clock yesterday morning.

In fact, the police have made no effort to investigate the case, which certainly seems suspicious. The police dispose of it with a theory—suicide—but the motive for self-destruction and the ground on which that belief is founded are both lacking.

Policeman John Jones, who went to the "rescue" of Mosher, has not yet made a report of his heroic conduct to his captain, neither would he be seen by a reporter this morning.

The end of young Mosher adds a mysterious chapter to a startling story of crime. He was the son of William M. Mosher, the publisher who was shot while robbing the vault of Judge Van Riper at Bay Ridge and who, it is said, was one of the men who helped kidnap Charlie Ross.

If he possessed the secret of the lost Philadelphia boy it probably died with him.

His youngest son bears a striking resemblance to the boy who was stolen, and until recently he was believed to be the lad who was stolen many years ago.

According to the story Policemen Jones told at the East One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street station-house, he heard a pistol-shot while standing at the corner of Pleasant avenue and One Hundred and Twelfth street.

Then he saw a man running from the river toward Pleasant avenue and disappeared around the corner of One Hundred and Thirteenth street.

Next he heard cries of "Help! help!" coming from the river. He ran toward the water. At One Hundred and Twelfth street, he saw a man who was struggling in the water, and he saw clearly outlined the shadows of four men, who beat about in the water.

When the policeman arrived Mosher had been in the water about five minutes.

Whether Mosher jumped, fell or was pushed into the river no one knows.

At last, when Policemen Jones had gathered courage and reinforcements, he entered boldly the water. It was deserted. The cries came from the river.

Then the policemen went. They saw three Watchmen Keegan, Donnelly and Kennedy running around excitedly, and by the light of their lanterns they discovered Mosher struggling in the water.

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An Italian Family Caught in a Fatal
Fire Trap at Rochester, Pa.

Nine Bodies Taken from the
Smoking Ruins at Noon.

One Girl Alone Escapes by Leaping
from a Window.

OFFICIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.
ROCHESTER, Pa., April 6.—Eleven persons were burned to death in a fire which occurred here shortly after midnight this morning.

The fire broke out in some manner as yet unexplained, in a frame building, the ground floors of which were occupied by a military store and grocery, and the upper floors by an Italian family and several boarders.

The flames burned with such ferocity that the escape of the doomed Italians by way of the stairs was entirely cut off.

Some of them appeared at the upper windows for a brief space, but they quickly fell back, with agonizing but fruitless screams for help.

One young girl, seventeen years old, leaped from the second-story window to the street. She was terribly bruised, and had several bones broken, but her life is saved.

One other body had been recovered at 9 o'clock. It was that of a man, but was so charred and disfigured by the fire that it was almost unrecognizable.

The building was burned to the ground. Search for the bodies of the victims was rapidly carried on, and at noon eight more had been found.

LET LIZZIE ELLIOTT DROWN.

Rossmissell Held as an Accessory
to Her Death.

Charles Rossmissell was arraigned in Essex Market court this morning charged with being an accessory to the death of Lizzie Elliott and held to await the result of the coroner's inquest.

Rossmissell is a Norwegian and the carpenter of the Malory line steamship Colorado, which is laid up for repairs at the Morgan Works pier, foot of East Ninth street. He is thirty-one years old and has a wife and two children in Norway.

Last night at 10 o'clock he was in the neighborhood of James slip when he met Lizzie Elliott and Mary Lopez, who have a room at 47 Oliver street. The women made a friendly salutation and soon they and Rossmissell were in conversation. They suggested having a drink, and Rossmissell responded. After several drinks he took Lizzie Elliott in his arms and carried her to his room at East Ninth street.

Rossmissell asked Lizzie Elliott to go aboard the steamship with him, but she refused unless her companion would accompany her. They drank again, and started down West Ninth street towards the pier.

By this time they were considerably under the influence of liquor. It is always a very dark night in the neighborhood of the East Ninth street pier, and last night was no exception.

When the gang plank was reached Rossmissell led the way up the incline and took Lizzie Elliott's hand. Her movements were unsteady.

The plank had no side rail, and when half way up the plank the Elliott woman stopped and turned around to speak to her companion.

Rossmissell loosed his grasp on her hand. Her feet got mixed up in some way with the crude and unsound plank into the river. She called for assistance and as Rossmissell did not jump in after her Mary Lopez began to cry for help.

Rossmissell said he could not swim. And went aboard the ship to get help. The boatman in, Hans Jacobson, who was on watch, however, refused to obey the order to go to the pier for help and struggle so hard to save himself.

Mrs. McCristie says her son was not a thief, and the police know nothing against him.

He was a vendor and at that Saturday, March 29, he was selling fruit.

He did not belong to any "gang," and did not frequent the neighborhood in which he was drowned.

If his death is associated with the pistol shot identified by his mother, who is now Mrs. McCristie, living with her husband at 1704 Park avenue.

She says she knows of no reason why her son should have committed suicide.

In the light of the facts the suicide theory really does not seem plausible for if it was Mosher's intention to drown the man, why did he cry for help and struggle so hard to save himself?

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